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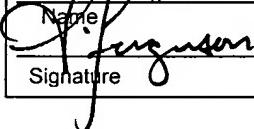
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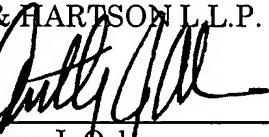
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NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE REFERENCES

- Enclosed is a search report for a counterpart application. The search report Examiner has provided comments on the relevancy of all references cited in the search report.
- The specification incorporates comments on the relevancy of Non-English language references.
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